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SUBJ: ISLAS ORCADAS

1. REQUEST MEDICAL AND PERSONAL DATA FORMS FOR US CRUISE III PERSONNEL BY AIR MAIL. DATA IN OUTER OFFICE DR. LLANO. DR. SAYED AND I WILL SIGN WAIVER OF ARGENTINE MEDICAL RESPONSIBILITY DUE TO DIABETES HISTORY DR. BOTTINO.

2. SONE ENGINEERING PROGRESS MADE TODAY. ENGINE ROOM FULL OF CIVILIAN TECHNICIANS AND SHIP'S ENGINEERS. MAIN PROPULSION PROBLEM NARROWING DOWN TO AREA OF MAIN MOTOR EXCITATION AND REMOTE CONTROL SYSTEM. REGULATION AND CONTRL AUXILIARY POWER DIESEL GENERATOR SET NUMBER TWO IMPROVING.

3. CONCERNING PICKUP OF PERSONNEL AND FREIGHT AT USHUAIA A DAY FOR DAY SLIPPAGE IS OCCURRING. SEVEN DAYS ADDED TO SAILING DATE BUENOS AIRES GIVES ARRIVAL DATE USAHAIA.

4. A NEW SAILING DATE WILL BE PROVIDED TOMORROW DEC FOURTH. BEST ESTIMATE IS THAT ORCADAS WILL BE READY DEC FIFTH.

5. DEVELOPING UNRECONCILABLE CONFLICT BETWEEN DR. EL SAYED AND DR. TOMO CONCERNING TERMINAL DATE CRUISE III NEEDS RESOLUTION AT HIGHER LEVEL. AT THIS TIME DR. TOMO OPERATING UNDER DIRECTIVE
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OT ARGENTINE ANTARCTIC INSTITUTE WHICH TERMINATES CRUISE III

JAN THIRD. IL SAYED ATTEMPTING TO SECURE LATE DEC
TERMINATION TO ALLOW AT LEAST TEN DAY PREPARATION CRUISE FOUR.
BETZES INTENT UPON PRESERVING RELIEF PALMER STATION PERSONNEL.
RECOMMEND HIGH OFFICES NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION BE USED TO
ASK ARGENTINE ANTARCTIC INSTITUTE TO PERMIT DEC TERMINATION.
CRUISE III. AS AN INCENTIVE, PREFERENTIAL SCHEDULING OF ARGENTINE
SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM IN ORCADAS COULD BE ASSURED FOR THE FUTURE
PLANNING. ALBERT BETZEL SENDS.
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